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In the matter of,)	Docket No. 12-IEP-1D
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2012 Integrated Energy Policy Report)	
Update (2012 IEPR Update))	WORKSHOP
)	RE: Renewable Energy Costs

Lead Commissioner Workshop on Renewable Energy Costs

The California Energy Commission Lead Commissioner on the Integrated Energy Policy Report will conduct a workshop to discuss renewable energy costs. Commissioner Carla Peterman will oversee the *2012 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update*. Other Commissioners may attend the workshop.

MAY 22, 2012

10:00 a.m.
CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION
1516 Ninth Street
First Floor, Hearing Room A
Sacramento, California
(Wheelchair Accessible)

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Agenda

The purpose of this workshop is to seek input from experts, stakeholders, and the general public on: renewable costs, how those costs are incorporated into procurement decisions and electricity rates, and policy solutions for minimizing costs.

Background

This workshop will provide information needed to implement the following overarching strategy to address barriers to renewable development that was identified in the Energy Commission's *Renewable Power in California: Status and Issues* report:

Evaluate the cost of renewable energy projects beyond technology costs – including costs associated with integration, permitting, and interconnection – and their impact on retail electricity rates. This evaluation shall be coupled with a value assessment that could potentially lead to monetizing the various system

and nonenergy benefits attributable to renewable resources and technologies, particularly those benefits that enhance grid stability and reduce environmental and public health costs.

The Lead Commissioner will consider input from this workshop together with other information from the 2012 IEPR Update proceeding to develop specific strategies and action items to minimize costs associated with renewable development in California.

Background

Governor Brown's Clean Energy Jobs Plan directed the Energy Commission to develop a plan to expedite permitting of the highest priority renewable generation and transmission projects. As part of the 2011 Integrated Energy Policy Report, the Energy Commission prepared the Renewable Power in California: Status and Issues report which discussed challenges to renewable development and current efforts to address those challenges.

The report identified five high-level strategies to address challenges to renewable development. These strategies, including the strategy that is the subject of this workshop, are the foundation for a more comprehensive renewable strategic plan that is being developed under the 2012 Integrated Energy Policy Report Update proceeding.

Public Comment

Oral Comments. The IEPR Lead Commissioner will accept oral comments during the workshop. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. Any comments will become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Written Comments. Written comments should be submitted to the Dockets Unit by **June 5, 2012**. Written comments will also be accepted at the workshop, however, the Energy Commission may not have time to review them before the conclusion of the workshop. All written comments will become part of the public record of this proceeding. Additionally, written comments may be posted to the Energy Commission's website.

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